## What I Been Through

## Lil' Flip

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Hi, this is the Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous Today we're interviewing Lil' Flip, what's up man So Lil' Flip tell me, how long have you been rapping? Man, I've been rappin' ever since 1995 I was in junior high

I saw a lotta shit, so I was glad to be alive

A lot of people died, but a lot of people here

And when I turned 15, my vision got clearIt's time to be a man, time to make a plan

It's cool to make a hundred, but it's best to make a grand

My granny got sick and then they found cancer

We got to pay the doctors but God got the answerThe surgery went good, my Granny doin' well

My career takin' off, so I can't go to jail

And to my niggas on the block, stop sellin' rocks

'Cause I'ma tell the truth you can't outsmart the cops You see what I did, I only drop hits

Choppin' up game, y'all choppin' up bricks

And some niggas snitch 'cause they can't take the heat

How we gon' go buy a system when the system got his beatHey, I'm from the home of the Astros, home of the

## **Rockets**

Born to rap yo, with a microphone in my pocket

Always thought I was grown, you couldn't tell me nothin'

I would talk shit if you tried to tell me somethin'But I regret that, I had some minor setbacks

Old people thought my future would be jet black

All my years growin' up, I thought life was a game

You can't make it real far, thinkin' life is a gameYet we lost a couple of friends, I almost lost my brother

I don't know what would've happened if we lost each other

Everyday is somethin' new, I just take it in strides

You only got one life, so enjoy the rideSometimes I was paid, sometimes I was broke

Me and Gray started hustlin' but my Mama didn't know

But it's cool, 'cause now I'm into this music

The man gave us a gift and we lovin' to use itAnd if you look real close you'll see

That you can only be you, and I can be me

Because can't nobody ever live my life but me

But you will never see what I see like me, ha, me, ha'Cause you don't know what I've been through

(So you shouldn't judge me)

And you don't know what I will and I won't do

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(So you shouldn't judge me)It's gettin' harder now I just don't understand

Why the people in the world disgrace the black man

All that I can say, is pray and let it be

Live right and try your best not to end up like meSee I was the nigga that slang dope and steal cars Glad I stopped before it led behind bars

Heart aches and scars, help me feel my way

Understand today I got a decision to makeNow do I wanna live right or continue goin' wrong

I'm never at home, this music keep a nigga gone

But this is what gets me, who are you to judge

'Cause I'm young and black, people still hold a grudgeJust a nudge right now'd push me over the end When I was 14, I lost a very close friend

And ever since then my life ain't been the same

That's the biggest reason why I had to make a changeNever judge a book by it's cover, a man by his wealth

And if you already on your feet why don't you help somebody else

This what I was taught, so that's what I live by

'Cause you can't take none of this shit with you when you dieSo everyday I try to keep my head high But these bird ass niggas always jump fly

Should I take 'em out the game, nah, I'ma use my brain

I'm a kill 'em with kindness, and blow up my nameI came from nothin', and now I got a little change

A nigga happy now but I went through some pain

And everyday it rain, there's gone be some sunshine

I never thought I could put my whole life in one rhyme'Cause you don't know what I've been through (So you shouldn't judge me)

And you don't know what I will and I won't do

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